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Dear Sir:

In connection with the above identified application, please enter the following preliminary amendment. This is in reply to the Office Action mailed February 4, 2005.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

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